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**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A hydrogenated nitrile rubber composition which comprises 100 parts by weight of hydrogenated nitrile rubber with a bound acrylonitrile content of at least 30 wt. %, ~~30%~~, a Mooney viscosity  $ML_{1+4}$  (100°C) of 70 to 50 ~~80 or less~~ (median value) and an iodine number of 28 or less (median value) and 65 to 200 parts by weight of carbon fibers.

Claim 2 (Previously presented): A hydrogenated nitrile rubber composition according to Claim 1, which further contains 100 or less parts by weight of carbon black.

Claim 3 (Previously presented): A hydrogenated nitrile rubber composition according to Claim 1, which further contains 60 or less parts by weight of graphite.

Claim 4 (Previously presented): A hydrogenated nitrile rubber composition according to Claim 1, which further contains 30 to 100 parts by weight of carbon black and 5 to 60 parts by weight of graphite.

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**Claim 5 (Previously presented):** A hydrogenated nitrile rubber composition according to Claim 2, wherein a sum total of fillers in the composition, including carbon fibers, is 90 to 250 parts by weight.

**Claim 6 (Previously presented):** A molding material for sealing members which comprises the hydrogenated nitrile rubber composition of Claim 1.

**Claim 7 (Previously presented):** A molding material for sealing members which comprises the hydrogenated nitrile rubber composition according of Claim 4.

**Claim 8 (Previously presented):** A hydrogenated nitrile rubber composition according to Claim 3, wherein a sum total of fillers in the composition, including carbon fibers, is 90 to 250 parts by weight.

**Claim 9 (Previously presented):** A hydrogenated nitrile rubber composition according to Claim 4, wherein a sum total of fillers in the composition, including carbon fibers, is 90 to 250 parts by weight.